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                      GASTRIC CANCER

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks.

**Amendment to the specification** are shown on page 2.

**Amendments to the claims** are shown in the listing of claims beginning on page 3.